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ASK LAW ON BUYERS OF STOLEN MOTORS

Police Think Holding Purchaser Guilty Is the Only Way to Halt Menace.

WATCH CHEAP SALES

Say Thefts Would Drop if It Were Hard to Dispose of Cars.

Police officials and automobile agencies, combining forces to drive the motor car thief out of business, are directing their energies toward destroying the market for the stolen car. Almost despairing of ever putting an end to this form of thievery, which has grown into a national menace to the industry, the officials of all governments are agreed that new methods and new laws are required to meet the situation.

In this series of five articles which THE NEW YORK HERALD is publishing dealing with the whole situation it has been shown that the thefts in this country have mounted to close

to \$100,000,000 a year. More than ten thousand cars were stolen last year in this State, while more than six thousand were lost in New York city. This is the third article on the subject, and shows the methods of these modern bandits.

In their hunt for the thief the police and private detectives have discarded the two important theories on which they proceeded for years. These were that there was a master mind directing the whole great business of stealing cars—the newest form of piracy—and second, that bootlegging was one of the big causes for the wholesale thefts.

Bootlegging and motor car stealing have developed together in the last five years, and the natural conclusion was that there was an intimate connection.

But it has been proved beyond doubt that instead of one there are hundreds of little master minds—hundreds of little nests of thieves in every great community, each with its master mind. The detective agencies have gathered a vast amount of information for the insurance companies and their conviction is that there is no organized piracy on a great scale. The little bands are working in almost identical ways through the whole length and breadth of the land and the similarity of their methods is the only connection between them.

The bootleggers are not using stolen cars except in rare instances. That has been proved by establishing the ownership of thousands of automobiles of bootleggers which have been seized. In only rare instances was it found that the rum runner did not own his own car.

He can afford to. He cannot afford to take the double risk of smuggling

whisky and operating a stolen car to do it. He did in the early days of bootlegging, before that industry was organized scientifically, but soon found that it was foolish to take the double chance. As a rule the whisky trader owns a car on a deferred payment plan.

Classes of Automobile Thieves.

There are two main classes or groups of automobile thieves. They are:

A. The little bands of two, three or four men who operate through a garage. One or two of their number steal cars. The garage is the central point for concealing the car while it is disguised. One or two others are salesmen.

B. The owners who want to get their insurance on their cars and enter into a collusive agreement with the thief to get rid of it. Collusion follows usually the downward trend in prices of any kind of car. When the cut price of a car gets close to the insurance figures of that same kind of car under the present prices the thefts in that car begin to jump. This is notable and traceable in all parts of the country. This is the hardest kind of thief to catch.

There are, of course, hundreds of varieties of both classes and thousands of little tricks. In and around New York the bandits who fall under Class A have an easier time operating than in most places. This is because of the congestion. It has been found that in New York the average distance for moving the stolen car is not more than ten or fifteen miles. In other places the motor is usually run a considerable distance.

Quick Acting Motor Thieves.

In every poolroom, all night restaurant, hotel corridors and other public places there may be an automobile

thief—gas bandit the police call him. He is well dressed and is a clever, quick-thinking and quick acting person. He is the prototype of the old gambling house runner or poolroom agent.

This criminal is on the outlook for a customer. If he hears of any one who wants to buy a used car of any kind it means that a car of that kind will be available for sale pretty soon. He finds the market. Then he and his confederates go after the car that will fill the bill and get it.

Another class operating along similar lines works from the street. They infest busy streets where many cars are likely to be parked. Their trick is to watch the careless man drive up, leave his car unlocked for a minute or two while he runs inside on a little errand and, presto! before he is out of sight the car is gone. The history of these thefts is that in the great majority of cases the car left with motor running or unlocked is stolen within two minutes after the owner leaves the wheel.

Up and down the streets they prowl, these gas bandits, with eyes keenly alert to every chance. If they spy a car slowing down to park they step along and watch the owner get out. If there is a chance they jump into it and off they go. No small part of all automobile thefts is due to the contributory negligence of the owner. And in this respect men are more careless than women.

Having made a getaway the rest is comparatively easy. Usually the man who does the street stealing has a confederate somewhere near by to whom he turns over the car. Soon the motor is in the garage or hiding place of the band. There it is made over as quickly as possible. The numbers on the motors and other parts are stamped out and new ones are

stamped in. The car is painted, the number plates are changed and a hundred and one things are done to alter its appearance. Then it is ready for sale.

If the thief has a customer in mind the sale is easy. If not the garage manager or a confederate offers the machine as a bargain. There are as many tricks in this end of the business as in any industry.

Excuses to Effect Sales.

Often the salesman says he has to leave suddenly on short notice for another part of the country and is compelled to sacrifice his car. Or he has experienced financial losses and must take what he can get. The garage man may pass out the tip that he knows of a wonderful bargain and find the buyer. Newspaper advertisements are used frequently for offering the wonderful bargain, but this method is not employed so much as formerly, since the detective agencies have begun looking up all such bargains.

The garage man engaged in these enterprises is not one who has an established station, but the fly-by-night dealer who opens a little place as if he were going into business, runs along a few weeks and disappears over night. There are hundreds of such places opening and closing during the year. When such a place is opened and word goes round that the new dealer is selling used cars for figures far below his com-

petitors the police and detectives begin looking into his business.

It has been found on checking up the records of stolen cars that a surprisingly large proportion have inferior locks. The substantial car with a good lock is hardest to get. Every automobile owner is being urged to see that his lock is good and that in every instance it is really locked before he steps out of the machine, even if leaving only for a minute. One of the wisest precautions an owner can make, detectives urge, is for a passenger to get out a block or two from where the car is to be parked and then walk slowly to the parking place with an eye on the car.

"A car is stolen to-day in New York and I will defy any one to recognize his own car to-morrow," District Attorney Banton said in a discussion before a Congress committee recently. "The numbers have all been changed, the engines have been changed, and everything one can think of in the car has been changed. It is a perfect business in New York city, the manipulation of stolen automobiles from the man who paints to the man who screws on a nut or bolt, and they have it down to such a fine science that a car can be made over in a day so no one would know it."

The fourth installment in this series of five articles will be published to-morrow, giving views of prominent men on what should be done to curb automobile stealing.



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Pure alpaca fibre silk scarfs. Formerly \$6, now \$4.50. French fibre silk scarfs with pure silk fringe, formerly \$6, \$7.50, now \$4.50. A few cashmere scarfs, formerly \$12, now \$7.

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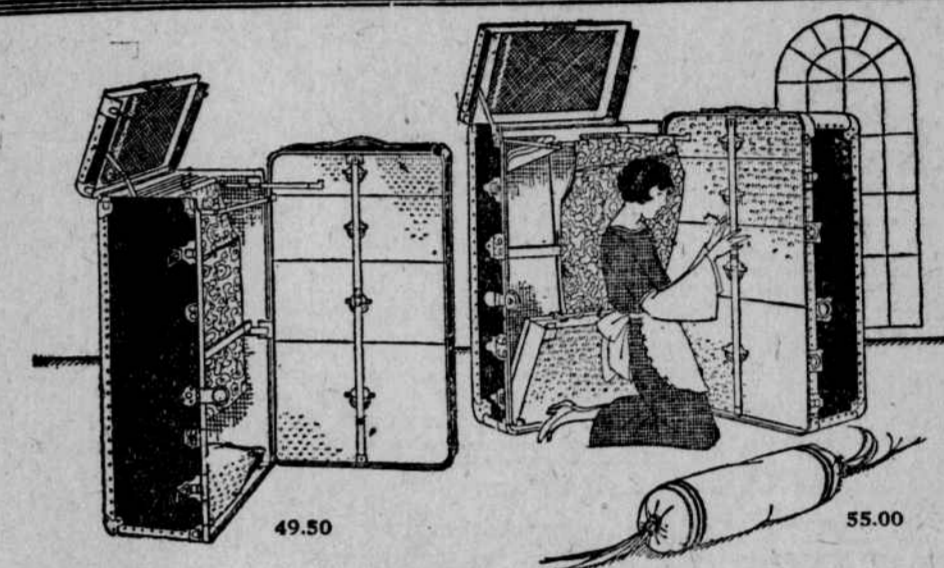
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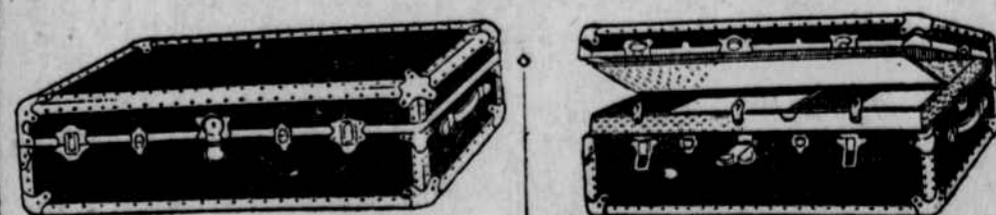
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